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**UTILITY PATENT
APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Enclosed for filing is the utility patent application of Zuyin Yang, Jose G. Nepomuceno and Barbara G. Taylor for FLAVORED CARBON USEFUL AS FILTERING MATERIAL OF SMOKING ARTICLE.

- Applicant(s) hereby request(s) that the above-captioned application **NOT BE PUBLISHED** under 35 U.S.C. § 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. § 1.211. The undersigned hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.
- Applicant(s) suggest(s) Figure 1 for inclusion on the front page of the patent application publication and patent.

Also enclosed are:

- 5 sheet(s) of formal informal drawing(s);
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 in the declaration;
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- Small entity status is hereby claimed.
- Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
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--This application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119 to U.S. Provisional Application No. __ entitled __ and filed on __, the entire content of which is hereby incorporated by reference.--.

- [] Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:
--This application is a continuation of International Application No. __ filed on __, which International Application [] was [] was not published by the International Bureau in English on __.--.
- [X] The filing fee has been calculated as follows [] and in accordance with the enclosed preliminary amendment:

CLAIMS					
	NO. OF CLAIMS		EXTRA CLAIMS	RATE	FEE
Basic Application Fee					\$740.00 (101)
Total Claims	17	MINUS 20 =	0	× \$18.00 (103) =	
Independent Claims	1	MINUS 3 =	0	× \$84.00 (102) =	
If multiple dependent claims are presented, add \$280.00 (104)					
Total Application Fee					740.00
If small entity status is claimed, subtract 50% of Total Application Fee					
Add Assignment Recording Fee \$40.00 (581) if Assignment document is enclosed					
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- [] A check in the amount of \$ _____ is enclosed for the fee due.
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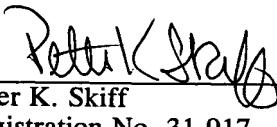
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